## Income Eligibility Guidelines\* Effective from July 1, 2006, to June 30, 2007

The following household size and income criteria will be used for determining eligibility:

	Reduced-Price Meals			Free Meals		
	185% of federal poverty guidelines			130% of federal poverty guidelines		
Household Size	Yearly	Monthly	Weekly	Yearly	Monthly	Weekly
1 person	\$ 18,130	\$ 1,511	349	\$12,740	\$1,062	\$245
2 people	24,420	2,035	470	17,160	1,430	330
3 people	30,710	2,560	591	21,580	1,799	415
4 people	37,000	3,084	712	26,000	2,167	500
5 people	43,290	3,608	833	30,420	2,535	585
6 people	49,580	4,132	954	34,840	2,904	670
7 people	55,870	4,656	1,075	39,260	3,272	755
8 people	62,160	5,180	1,196	43,680	3,640	840
For each additional person:	+6,290	+525	+121	+4,420	+369	+85

\*For the 48 Contiguous United States, District of Columbia, Guam and Territories

Households should answer all applicable questions on the form. An application that does not contain all the required information cannot be processed and approved by the school.

The information on the application for free or reduced price meals may be verified by the school or other officials at any time during the school year.

The information households provide will be treated confidentially and will be used only for the eligibility determinations and verification of data.

The required information is:

<u>FOOD STAMP / TANF HOUSEHOLDS:</u> If a household currently receives Food Stamps or "Temporary Assistance for Needy Families" (TANF) for their child, they need only to list the child's name and Food Stamp or TANF case number, and sign the application.

<u>ALL OTHER HOUSEHOLDS</u>: If a household's income is at or below the level shown on the income scale, children are eligible for free or reduced-price meals or free milk. Households must provide the following information: (1) the names of all household members, (2) all household income last month and source of income received by each household member (for example, EARNINGS, WELFARE, PENSION, or OTHER). Income is all money before taxes or anything else is taken out, (3) the signature of an adult household member, and (4) the Social Security number of the adult signing the application.

Households also have the right to a fair hearing which may be initiated by contacting the hearing official in the local school corporation.

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